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For: DIAGNOSTIC APPARATUS AND METHOD

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

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Dear Sir:

Preliminary to examination of the above-referenced application, please amend the application as follows: